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SUBJECT: CANADIAN VIEWS ON MTN

PASS STR (MALMGREN)

1. AT INFORMAL MEETING OF CANADIAN MRN DELEGATION  
(GERMAIN DENIS, PETER CLARK AND JOHN WEEKES) STR GENERAL  
COUNSEL WOLFF, AND US MTN DELEGATION, CANADIANS EXPRESSES  
FOLLOWING VIEWS ON MTN:

A. SUPPLY ACCESS - CANADIANS INDICATED THEY ARE OPEN TO  
DISCUSSION THIS SUBJECT BUT NOT CONVINCED SEPARATE GROUP  
NEEDED. THEY BELIEVE SHOULD BE RELATED TO SEPCIFIC  
PRODUCTS AND COULD BE BEST APPROACHED WITH SECTORS OR  
SAFEGUARDS DISCUSSIONS. DOMESTIC PRESSURES WILL FORCE  
THEM TO ACT IN THIS AREA SINCE THEY ARE BOTH SUPPLIER AND  
IMPORTER. THEY DO NOT TAKE SERIOUSLY ATTEMPTS TO SET UP  
INTERNATIONAL CODES ON THIS SUBJECT SINCE THEY FEEL BEST  
WAY TO STIFLE PROGRESS ON THIS ISSUE WOULD BE TO PUSH FOR  
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INTERNATIONAL CODE AND THEN DO NOTHING ELSE.

B. NTB'S - THEY ENVISAGE DIFFICULTIES IN SETTING PRIORITIES ON WHICH NTB TO TACKLE FIRST. THEY EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT US PROCEDURES FOR CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF NTB'S AND THE NEED FOR PACKAGES TO BE SELF-BALANCING. ALSO CANADIAN INFORMATION IS THAT EC WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN DISCUSSIONS IMMEDIATELY ON COUNTERVAILING DUTIES BUT EC NOT ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT NEGOTIATIONS ON OTHER NTB'S.

C. TARIFFS - CANADIANS FELT THAT WORK ON BASE DATE, BASE RATE, UNIT OF ACCOUNT, AND TARIFF REDUCTION FORMULA COULD COMMENCE SHORTLY AFTER TNC. THEY SAID EC BELIEVES NO SERIOUS DISCUSSIONS CAN BEGIN UNTIL FALL AFTER US INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION COMPLETES STUDY. THEY ALSO SAID THAT JAPANESE BELIEVE A FIRST STAGE OF WORK ON MTN SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY SPRING 1976 WITH ONLY MODEST ACHIEVEMENTS ESPECIALLY IN TARRIF AREA.

D. AGRICULTURE - CANADIANS NOT PARTICULARLY CONCERNED WHETHER OR NOT AGRICULTURE REMAINS SEPARATE GROUP DURING NEGOTIATIONS. THEY ARE ANXIOUS TO NEGOTIATE ON THIS SUBJECT BUT BELIEVE IF MAJOR PARTICIPANT WANTS TO STALL HE COULD DO SO IN PRACTICALLY ANY ORGAINIZATIONAL ARRANGEMENT. WHEN QUERIED ABOUT SPECIFIC PLANS FOR AGRICULTURE NEGOTIATIONS THEY REPLIED THAT CANADIAN APPROACH TO THIS SUBJECT NOT YET FULLY WORKED OUT BUT THINK NEGOTIATIONS COULD BEGIN BY PARTICIPANTS TABLING PROPOSALS THEREBY GENERATING DISCUSSIONS LEADING TOWARD CONSENSUS:

2. FYI: NAMES, TITLES AND ARRIVAL DATES OF CANADIAN MTN DELEGATION ARE AS FOLLOWS:

AMB. RODNEY DE C. GREY (JAN 18)

MINISTER MEL CLARK (ALREADY IN GENEVA)

MINISTER-COUNSELOR W.M. MINER (SUMMAER 1975)

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MINISTER-COUNSELOR J.R. ROY (JAN 20)

COUNSELOR PETER CLARK (LEAVES MAR 01)

COUNSELOR GERMAIN DENIS (ALREADY IN GENEVA)

COUNSELOR MICHAEL GIFFORD (ARRIVAL DATE UNKNOWN)

COUNSELOR KEVEN GORE (SUMMER 1975)

FIRST SECRETARY JOHN WEEKES (ALREADY IN GENEVA)

FIRST SECRETARY RICHARD BASTIEN (FEB 25)

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